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Water Board to Meet Thursday in Lewiston

This week the Idaho Water Resource Board will hold it's regularly scheduled meeting on Friday, July 13, 2007 beginning at 8:30 a.m. The meeting will be held at the Red Lion Hotel located at 621 21st Street in Lewiston, Idaho. A work session will be held the previous day on July 12th.

Items on the agenda include:

- A status report of the Dworshak Hydropower Project including energy production and plant performance.
- A request for loan funds by the Clearwater Water District for a water study required by the DEQ, a request by Harbor View Estates Water & Sewer for additional funding to complete the expansion of their water system, and a request for a construction loan for a pipeline project from the Twin Lakes Canal Company.
- An update on the W-Canal recharge project near Wendell, Idaho.
- A summary of the current state of the Conservation and Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) in which the state of Idaho is a participant.
- A discussion on land use planning and Wild and Scenic River evaluations in coordination with the BLM.
- A discussion of the Wood River Legacy Project in which the Board is responsible to appoint an advisory committee and begin work toward the establishment of minimum stream flows.

The Board will hold a work session on Thursday July 12th, which will include among other topics:

- A request by the Legislature for a budget and timetable for planning efforts, similar to the ESPA plan, for the other major aquifer systems in the state.
- State water planning priorities will be discussed.
- An executive session (not open to the public) concerning the potential acquisition of real property may be convened.

The complete agenda is posted on the IDWR website: www.idwr.idaho.gov